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Sir:

Today we telephoned the U.S. Patent Office, Office of Petitions, and left a voice mail message regarding the status of this patent application. We then checked the USPTO website for the status. The web site indicates that on 10-28-2003, the petition in this case was dismissed (Paper 30). We did not receive this paper.

Upon further review of the file, and although we filed Changes of Address requests in this case on 10/9/02 and 4/2/03, we note that the PTO continued to forward correspondence for this case to our previous address in Cupertino, CA, which we left in June 2002. The Decision on Petition mailed 4/8/03 was mailed to our previous address also, and yet another Change of Address Request was filed with the response to that Petition, on 9/8/03. We did not receive the response to that filing.

1. Please forward a copy of the Decision on Petition (Paper 30) dated 10/28/03 to our current address, which is: Loudermilk & Associates, P. O. Box 3607, Los Altos, CA 94024-0607.
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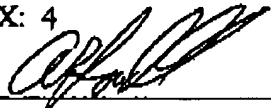
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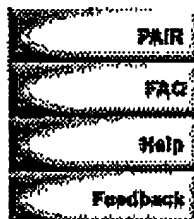
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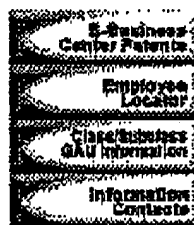
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